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Archdale City Council Pre-Agenda Session Tuesday, January 23, 2007

Members Present: Bert L. Stone, Mayor; Roger Blackwell, Mayor Pro Tem; Council Members: Lewis Dorsett, Tim Williams, Larry Warlick, Eddie Causey, and Robert (Trey) Gray.

Others Present: Jerry Yarborough, Interim City Manager; William (Bill) Miller, City Attorney; Gary Lewallen, Police Chief; Jeff Wells, Planning Director; Lori Nurse, Finance Director, and Patsy Dougherty, City Clerk.

Media Present: Walter Taylor, Archdale/Trinity News.

Mayor Stone opened the Pre-Agenda Session.

Attorney Miller stated that under Item 15, Closed Session we need to add G.S. 143-318.11 (a) (5) for Land Acquisition of Real Property.

Mayor Stone noted Ms. Renfro from EDC will be here to give the Annual Report from the EDC, so we need to add Item 6A.

Interim Manager Yarborough stated that under the Consent Agenda the Resolution of Revisions to the Comprehensive Parks and Recreation Master Plan for Creekside Park should also include; and the Master Plan for Creekside Park.

Councilman Warlick stated since there are now two applicants for appointments to the Planning Board, need to change the second item under the consent Agenda to; Consideration of Appointments for Vacant Planning Board Seats.

Mr. Wells advised Council that Douglas Monroe had recently turned in his application to serve on the Planning Board to represent Ward III. The County Commissioners will be appointing Lynwood English to represent the ETJ area. Mr. Wells stated they now have two from Ward I, two from Ward II, three from Ward III, and two for the ETJ.

Councilman Dorsett and Councilman Warlick had received calls on an item that is on the Consent Agenda; Safe Routes to School, and asked if someone could give Council information on this item.

Mr. Wells advised Council that this is a program that is provided through the State of North Carolina. Mr. Wells noted that there are several million dollars allocated to fund this program. The program is to encourage children to either walk or ride their bikes to school. Mr. Wells stated staff is hoping to receive funding to help with our Pedestrian Network Plan and to get some of our schools connected to neighborhoods.

Mayor Stone advised Council this was started through COG, to address obesity in children, and to help with air quality, by having less vehicles on the road.

Mr. Wells informed Council that the TAC approved the Resolution at their last meeting.

Mr. Wells informed Council that he had placed the revisions to Article X that was approved at the December Council Meeting at Council's places.

Chief Lewallen advised Council that in the spring there will be flashing lights installed on Balfour Drive to recognize the school zone.

Mayor Stone advised Council that Ms. Aldridge has asked that the City sign on her property be removed. Gary White has offered space on his property for the sign.

Interim Manager Yarborough stated if it is the consensus of Council he will have the Public Works remove the sign.

Mayor Stone asked if there was further discussion. Hearing none Mayor Stone closed the Pre-Agenda Session.



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Media Present: Walter Taylor, Archdale/Trinity News and Alyson Bond, High Point Enterprise.

Item 1. Call to Order, Welcome, and Register of Attendance.

Mayor Stone called the meeting to order, welcomed everyone, and asked Chief Lewallen to have everyone sign the register of attendance.

Mayor Stone gave recognition to Officer David Jones of the Archdale Police Department for being named Officer of the Year from his fellow officers.

Chief Lewallen commended Officer Jones as one of their best officers, and one who is very dedicated to his job in serving the citizens of the City of Archdale.

Item 2. Invocation.

Mayor Stone gave the invocation.

Item 3. Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Pro Tem Blackwell led in the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Mayor Stone introduced Jerry Yarborough as the Interim City Manager. Mayor Stone stated Mr. Yarborough has worked for the City of High Point for 40 years as the Assistant City Manager.

Item 4. Council Action to Accept or Amend the Agenda.

Mayor Pro Tem Blackwell made a motion to amend the agenda as follows:

- Under Item 15, Closed Session we need to add G.S. 143-318.11 (a) (5) for Land Acquisition.
- Add Item 6A, EDC Annual Report / Bonnie Renfro.
- Under the Consent Agenda the Resolution of Revisions to the Comprehensive Parks and Recreation Master Plan for Creekside Park should include; and the Master Plan for Creekside Park.
- Change under Item 5 Consideration of Appointments for Vacant Planning Board Seats, Douglas Monroe for Ward III, and Lynwood English for ETJ.

Councilman Warlick seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous to approve the amended Agenda.

Item 5. Consent Agenda:

- Recognition of David Jones as the Archdale Police Department Officer of the Year.
- Consideration of Appointments for Vacant Planning Board Seats.
- Consideration of a Resolution in Support of the City of Archdale and Randolph County Schools to Participate in the Safe Routes to School Program.
- Water/Sewer Capital Improvement Budget Amendments.
- Resolution of Revisions to the Comprehensive Parks and Recreation Master Plan and Master Plan for Creekside Park.

Mayor Pro Tem Blackwell made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Councilman Dorsett seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous to approve the Consent Agenda.

Item 6. Notices, Petitions, and Persons to be Heard.

Mayor Stone stated if there were those who wished to address Council they could do so at this time. Mayor Stone asked that those who speak go to the podium, state their name and address for the record, to limit their comments to three minutes, to address Council in its entirety, and to do so in a courteous manner.

Thomas Cooke, 102 Friends Lane, stated he was at this meeting to ask for a reduction of the speed limit in his neighborhood. Mr. Cooke stated the street is only1/10 of a mile. Mr. Cooke spoke to a Police Officer who advised him to come to a Council meeting. Mr. Cooke added Council was courteous enough to put a Slow Deaf Child Area sign for his son that was born deaf, but there are still some neighbors in the area that totally ignore the sign. Mr. Cooke stated currently there was no speed limit sign and asked that a speed limit sign for 25 mph be placed in their neighborhood.

Crystal Gentry, 3967 Wood Avenue, stated her house is on the corner of Wood Avenue and Friends Lane. Ms. Gentry stated she came to Council when Shugart planned to develop the property on Wood Avenue with concerns on the traffic. Ms. Gentry stated there is a 35 mph sign at the intersection of Wood Avenue and Tarheel Drive.

Ms. Gentry asked that Council please consider the 25 mph speed limit sign because of all the children in the area.

Joe Turbyfill, 4615 Pineview Drive, Trinity, stated he is the President of Kynwood Subdivision and was concerned that Gary White's property at Spillman is increasing, there are now five properties. Mr. Turbyfill stated he had attended two other meetings and there were only four and now there are five.

Cheri Gray stated she was there to represent the Community Appearance Commission (CAC). Ms. Gray advised Council of upcoming events;

- Spring Cleaning for white goods (appliances) will be April 24-28.
- The dates for the DOT Litter Sweep will be set at their next meeting.
- Arbor Day will be on March 16, 2007.
- Street printing for Bonnie Place will be done in the spring.

Needs that the CAC would like to see done in Archdale;

- Would like to have a note included in the utility bills reminding people of the Ordinance regarding trash containers, when to put them out and when to remove them from the curb.
- New landscaping at the Police Department and City Hall. Ms. Gray suggested the sign that is to be removed from the Aldridge property be placed in front of City Hall.
- CAC supports the Safe Routes to School because it fits in with Archdale's Pedestrian Network Plan, sidewalks and greenways to help cut down on the traffic.

Mayor Stone asked if there were others who wished to address Council. Hearing none, Mayor Stone moved to the next item on the agenda.

Item 6A. Annual EDC Report by Bonnie Renfro and Harry Lane.

Ms. Renfro gave Council, a copy of the annual report to review. Ms. Renfro advised Council that the EDC set a record on the level of new investments, which was one hundred and fifty million dollars (\$150,000,000) and new jobs created was 673 for the year. Ms. Renfro reported on the new businesses that were planning or have already located in Randolph County. Ms. Renfro thanked Council for their support and stated she would be happy to answer any questions Council may have. Ms. Renfro stated her theme again this year is that we need to work together to create a place for businesses to locate in Randolph County.

Mayor Stone thanked Ms. Renfro and acknowledged Council's appreciation for all that she does for our community and added Council enjoys the relationship they have with the Randolph County EDC.

Mr. Lane stated he was the Existing Industry and Business Coordinator for the EDC. Mr. Lane, added his job is to call on companies in Archdale and Randolph County.

Mr. Lane advised Council that he has visited over 200 companies this past year, and 23 of those companies he visited are in Archdale and represents over 1081 employees and occupy around 896,000 square feet and some of the companies are looking to expand over the next two to three years. Mr. Lane noted it is very important to stay in touch with these companies, understand their problems and try to create an environment from which they can prosper. Mr. Lane stated the bottom-line goal is to improve the standard of living and to provide a better way of living for the citizens in Archdale and Randolph County.

Mayor Stone thanked Mr. Lane and added Council appreciates all that he does for Archdale and Randolph County.

Item 7. *Public Hearing:* Request to rezone Property located at the end of Kingsfield Forest Drive and Naola Court from M-1 to GRD, Being Randolph County Parcel # 7708375175.

Mayor Stone asked Mr. Wells to brief Council.

Mr. Wells stated the applicant is seeking to rezone property owned by Kingsfield Townhomes, LLC from M-1 to GRD. This rezoning would add approximately 5 acres of additional GRD to the existing 4.5 acres. The proposed rezoning would allow for a second phase of Kingsfield Townhomes.

Mr. Wells noted the northern, eastern and western boundaries of the property adjoin land zoned M-1. Rose Furniture occupies an industrial building to the east of the property, and the northern and western boundaries remains vacant. Property located along the southern boundary is comprised of single family and multifamily residential uses.

Mr. Wells stated theM-1 zoning is designed to accommodate heavy manufacturing, industrial, and warehousing uses. Staff feels that additional GRD and townhomes will serve as an effective transition from potential heavy manufacturing land uses. Mr. Wells stated the zoning request is consistent with Archdale's Future Land Use Plan and a request to rezone this property from M-1 to GRD would allow maximum use of the property. Mr. Wells stated the Planning Board and staff recommends approval of this request.

Mayor Stone thanked Mr. Wells for staffs report. Mayor Stone opened the **Public Hearing** to those who wished to speak in "support" of the request.

Mark Terry stated he is a professional surveyor, and was there to represent Ray Bowers the property owner. Mr. Terry stated the plat shows this area as being Phase II of the Kingsfield Townhomes. Mr. Terry noted that prior to moving into the construction drawings for the property the property first needs to be rezoned. Mr. Terry stated he would answer any questions Council may have.

Mayor Stone asked if there were others who wished to speak in "support" of this request. Hearing none, Mayor Stone asked if there were those who wished to speak in "opposition" of the request. Hearing none, Mayor Stone closed the **Public Hearing**, and opened the request to Council for questions, comments or possible action.

Councilman Gray stated while we appreciate the fact that it may be a continuation of the prior project this request is for rezoning only. Councilman Gray acknowledged that they are requesting a straight GRD and if what we are expecting is a continuation of the prior project he would feel more comfortable with a Conditional Use (CU).

Mr. Wells addressed Councilman Gray stating that we have an option when they request a GRD zoning, if approved they must submit a Special Use Permit to get their site plan approved.

Councilman Gray stated if they meet the GRD requirements, and they submit a Special Use Permit asking to build apartments, asked could they not do that instead.

Mr. Wells stated not necessarily if Council does not find it meets the findings of fact.

Councilman Gray stated apartments that are GRD would be transitional just like townhomes. Councilman Gray was concerned that if they came in with the request for apartments it would be hard to turn it down, so, he would feel better with a CU.

Councilman Causey stated when we set up GRD, it was set up intentionally to require a Special Use Permit to have controls in place. Councilman Causey added whether its condos apartments or townhomes the rezoning to GRD to him would be consistent as transitional property and it meets that definition. Councilman Causey noted that GRD would protect the Kingsfield neighborhood from a manufacturer establishing their business in their backdoor.

Councilman Causey made a motion to approve the rezoning request of this property. Councilman Williams seconded the motion. The rezoning request passed by a 4-2 vote with Mayor Pro Tem Blackwell and Councilman Gray voting in the negative.

Item 8. *Public Hearing:* Text Amendments to Article VI, Section 6.5 of the Zoning Ordinance (design standards for Big Box Retail and Shopping Centers).

Mayor Stone asked Mr. Wells to brief Council.

Mr. Wells stated, the City has anticipated a booming growth for the last several years. Mr. Wells added with our water and sewer projects to the east and southeast of the City, we are now starting to see a strong interest from the residential development community. As more subdivisions are constructed, interest from the commercial sector is increased. Mr. Wells noted, we will begin to see commercial projects on a larger scale, such as big-box retail and shopping centers. Staff is proposing a Special Requirement 39 be added to Section 6.5, regarding standards for big-box retail and large scale shopping centers.

Staff believes these requirements protect the interest of the city and our citizens.

Mr. Wells noted that one of our largest potential areas for this growth of development is the Interstate 85/NC 62 interchange. This is not only a gateway into Archdale, but it is also a gateway into High Point as well. Mr. Wells stated larger scale retail areas attract shoppers on a regional scale, it is important that these developments are held to a higher standard.

Mr. Wells stated SR 39 applies to all single tenant and multi-tenant commercial buildings that are 25,000 square feet or larger. The building will be required to be primarily constructed of high quality building materials such as brick and stone. Façades that faces a street will have 35% glass, while façades with entrances will have canopies, awnings, or other types of overhangs. Signage for the development must be consistent with the architectural character of the building.

Mr. Wells stated staff feels that these requirements will provide the City with architecturally pleasing and high quality larger scale development that the developers, citizens, and City officials can be proud of. Mr. Wells added staff and the Planning Board recommends approval of the text amendments.

Mayor Stone thanked Mr. Wells for staffs report. Mayor Stone opened the **Public Hearing** to those who wished to speak in "support" of the text amendments. Hearing none, Mayor Stone asked if there were those who wished to speak in "opposition" of the text amendments. Hearing none, Mayor Stone closed the **Public Hearing**, and opened the request to Council for questions, comments, or possible action.

Councilman Dorsett stated growth is coming and you can't stop it, but you can control it. We have always tried to raise the bar for Archdale not only by appearance but also in our infrastructure, commercial, residential, and industrial development and this is just another tool in our box.

Councilman Gray commended staff for all the hard work they put into the new text amendments. Councilman Gray asked if this would apply to multi-tenants as well, and noted the signage only mentions the freestanding signage and asked about the signage for individual tenants.

Mr. Wells advised Council that individual tenant signage is covered in our sign ordinance, under our Master and Common Signage Plans.

Councilman Dorsett made a motion to approve the text amendments to Article VI, Section 6.5 of the Zoning Ordinance. Mayor Pro Tem Blackwell seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous to approve the text amendments to Article VI, Section 6.5 of the Zoning Ordinance.

Item 9. *Public Hearing;* Text Amendments to Article V of the Zoning Ordinance (Roadway Overlay District Regulations).

Mayor Stone asked Mr. Wells to brief Council.

Mr. Wells advised Council that staff has spent considerable time researching design standards for "bigbox" retail and shopping centers. Staff feels that these standards should also apply to our Roadway Overlay District. The Roadway Overlay District was established as a method of maintaining the aesthetic and structural integrity of construction along the City's main corridors (Main Street and NC Hwy 62). Staff feels changing the design regulations within the Roadway Overlay District to match those of large-scale retail will help in maintaining a consistent and high quality level of construction.

Mr. Wells stated the Roadway Overlay District requires buildings to consist of materials such as "standard brick, stucco, synthetic stucco, glass" etc. The proposed regulations for construction within the Roadway Overlay District include a clearer description of those materials allowed and disallowed. These standards also addressed previously unaccounted for factors of construction such as:

- Color scheme of the building
- Recesses on walls longer than 100 feet
- Awnings, canopies, overhangs, or windows to help pedestrians see entrances
- Parapet walls on flat roofs and screening of rooftop mechanical equipment

Mr. Wells stated the Planning Board and staff recommend approval of the proposed text amendments.

Mayor Stone thanked Mr. Wells for staffs report. Mayor Stone opened the **Public Hearing** for those who wished to speak in "*support*" of the request. Hearing none, Mayor Stone asked if there were those who wished to speak in "*opposition*" of the request. Hearing none, Mayor Stone closed the **Public Hearing** and turned the request to Council for questions, comments, or possible action.

Councilman Williams asked Mr. Wells if there had been questions or comments regarding the proposed amendments.

Mr. Wells advised Council that staff had not received any comments or questions.

Councilman Causey made a motion to approve the request of text amendments to Article V of the Zoning Ordinance. Councilman Dorsett seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous to approve the request of text amendments to Article V of the Zoning Ordinance.

Item 10. *Public Hearing:* Annexation Request by Diamond Builders, LLC for Property Located Along Archdale Road and Spillman Drive, and Identified as Randolph County Parcel #s 7726494730, 7726494252, 7726490779, 7726393900, & 7726391551.

Mayor Stone asked Mr. Wells to brief Council.

Mr. Wells stated the subject property now owned by Diamond Builders, LLC was rezoned from R- 40 to R- 15 at the December Council meeting. The intent of the developer is to build a single-family subdivision of approximately 240 lots. The Resolution of Intent was also approved at last month's Council meeting.

Mayor Stone thanked Mr. Wells for staff's report. Mayor Stone opened the **Public Hearing** for those who wished to speak in "support" of the request. Hearing none, Mayor Stone asked if there were those who wished to speak in "opposition" of the request.

Joe Turbyfill, 4615 Pineview Drive, Trinity stated at the last meeting there was a request for 4 parcels, now there are 5, and at the first meeting the request was only for three, and asked why the parcels keep growing.

Mr. Wells stated there have always been only five parcels.

The City Clerk advised Council there are two deeds to this property, one is for two parcels and the other deed is for three parcels, and that is what has been requested at all of the meetings.

Mayor Stone asked if there were others who wished to speak in "opposition" of the request. Hearing none, Mayor Stone closed the **Public Hearing** and turned the request over to Council for questions, comments, or possible action.

Councilman Gray made a motion to approve the Annexation Request by Diamond Builders, LLC for Property Located Along Archdale Road and Spillman Drive. Councilman Dorsett seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous to approve the Annexation Request by Diamond Builders, LLC for Property Located Along Archdale Road and Spillman Drive.

Item 11. Request by Wayne Industries, Inc. for a High Density Development Permit (HDDP) for property located at 4207 Cheyenne Drive, Being Randolph County Parcel # 7718612206.

Mayor Stone asked Mr. Wells to brief Council.

Mr. Wells stated Wayne Industries is seeking a HDDP permit for the potential development of a warehouse. The project will control the first 1 inch of storm water runoff as required by high density development. The estimated built upon area on the property is 53.2%. The estimated project timetable is that the project will begin upon approval from all required agencies. Mr. Wells noted the Planning Board and staff recommend approval of this request.

Mayor Stone thanked Mr. Wells for staff's report. Mayor Stone turned the request over to Council for questions, comments, or possible action.

Councilman Warlick asked what type of retention do they have planned for the water run-off.

Mr. Wells advised Council it would be a bio-cell.

Councilman Warlick stated he would like for staff to recommend the bio-cell to all developers because it is more effective and aesthetically pleasing.

Councilman Warlick made a motion to approve the request from Wayne Industries for a HDDP Permit. Councilman Dorsett seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous to approve the request from Wayne Industries for a HDDP Permit.

Item 12. Recommendation on Hiring Stormwater Management Program Consultant.

Mayor Stone asked Councilman Dorsett to brief Council.

Councilman Dorsett advised Council that the Utility Committee had met with three of the firms who responded to our Request for Qualifications. Councilman Dorsett stated the Utility Committee recommends Amec to guide us through the development of a Stormwater Program. Councilman Dorsett stated this will be a learning process for all of Council, and while he still doesn't like the added tax, he is starting to understand its purpose a little better.

Mayor Stone thanked Councilman Dorsett for his report. Mayor Stone asked if other Council Members had questions for Councilman Dorsett.

Ms. Nurse commented that staff is reporting to Council regarding what has been done and where we are at and suggested this be put in the hands of the Manager to proceed and to figure out the scope of the contract with a not to exceed cost.

Councilman Warlick asked Mrs. Nurse, if the money had been budgeted for this year.

Ms. Nurse stated not this one, this is a new item and we are not looking to spend very much money this year, however Ms. Nurse advised Council that we may need to do a budget amendment.

Councilman Williams stated he appreciated all the help from staff during this process.

Councilman Dorsett made a motion to proceed with Amec, allow staff to negotiate with them and report to Council. Councilman Warlick seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous to allow staff to negotiate with them and report to Council.

Item 13. Consideration of Proposals for Space Needs Study/City Facilities Expansion.

Mayor Stone asked Interim Manager Yarborough to brief Council.

Interim Manager Yarborough advised Council that staff had received three responses from our Request for Qualifications to conduct a space needs analysis. All three firms are qualified to take on this project.

Staff chose Robbins Architecture and staff would like to sit down with Mr. Robbins and discuss project process, timelines, and other issues. Interim Manager Yarborough advised Council that the first thing to determine would be what our current space needs are, and then develop a strategy for meeting those needs. Interim Manager Yarborough recommended staff be authorized to proceed in developing a contract for the services with a fee not to exceed to be arrived at the time of negotiation with the approval of Council.

Mayor Pro Tem Blackwell made a motion to authorized staff to proceed. Councilman Dorsett seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous to authorized staff to proceed with negotiations.

Item 14. Restructuring of Finance Department Positions.

Mayor Stone asked Ms. Nurse to brief Council.

Ms. Nurse stated this was a request for an upgrade in a position in the Finance Department to fill the need of higher work duties. Ms. Nurse explained to Council what those duties would consist of. Ms. Nurse added we have someone on staff that can do these duties, and if we lose this person, we would want to fill the position with someone who has the ability to perform the more advanced professional tasks that are currently being performed.

Councilman Causey reminded Council that Archdale won the award last year on financial reporting, and feels we have met the criteria again this year. To get this type of financial work out we have to recognize we need to grade these positions on the work they are doing. We continue to challenge Ms. Nurse to be more of a finance manager, and she loves to do that type of work whenever she gets a chance. Councilman Causey noted in order to get that chance she has to have people reporting to her that can do a higher level of work.

Councilman Warlick stated this is the employee who completed some extensive training last year and was recognized by Council, and this person is now qualified for this higher level.

Councilman Gray asked Ms. Nurse if we are creating this position and eliminating another position.

Ms. Nurse stated this request is to put the right person at the right level and fortunately we have someone on staff that is qualified for this position. Ms. Nurse addressed Councilman Gray stating she could not just put a new position in unless it was funded by the budget. So we are deleting one position and creating a new position.

Councilman Gray asked Ms. Nurse if the other position was only a finance position or did that person have other duties as well, and if so will the other duties be given to someone else.

Ms. Nurse stated we now have a Personnel Technician who is handling a lot of what was previously handled by the other position, this new position is at the same level of the position that we are removing.

Councilman Causey asked Ms. Nurse if this person would still be able to back up the City Clerk.

Ms. Nurse advised Council that this person does have the title of Deputy City Clerk and in the Clerk's absence this person is able to continue the business of the City by the signing of documents.

Councilman Gray asked if this person would be unable to continue to do that.

Ms. Nurse stated that person holds that title unless someone else is appointed Deputy City Clerk, so she would maintain her title as Deputy Clerk.

Councilman Causey made a motion to approve the restructuring of the Finance Department positions. Councilman Warlick seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous to approve the restructuring of the Finance Department positions.

Councilman Causey asked Mayor Stone if they could address the concern from the residents regarding a reduced speed limit in their neighborhood, before Council went into closed session.

Mayor Stone asked the residents to speak with Chief Lewallen who could help them with this problem.

Item 15. Closed Session per G.S. 143-318.11 (a) (4) Economic Development, and G.S. 143-318.11 (a) (5) Land Acquisition of Property.

Mayor Pro Tem Blackwell made a motion to enter into closed session per G.S. 143-318.11 (a) (4) Economic Development, and G.S. 143-318.11 (a) (5) Land Acquisition of Property. Councilman Dorsett seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous to enter into closed session per G.S. 143-318.11 (a) (4) Economic Development, and G.S. 143-318.11 (a) (5) Land Acquisition of Property.

Upon returning from closed session, Councilman Dorsett made a motion to return to the regular meeting. Councilman Warlick seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous to return to regular session.

Mayor Stone asked to have the record show that no action was taken.

Item 16. Additional Items.

Mayor Pro Tem Blackwell asked Interim Manager Yarborough to make sure a discussion of the GRD developments for townhomes, condos and apartments would be on the Retreat Agenda for discussion.

Item 17. Adjournment.

With no further business, Mayor Stone stated the Tuesday, January 23, 2007 meeting would be continued until Wednesday, January 31, 2007 at 6:30 p.m.